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2757☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on Nov 14, 1997☐ This action is **FINAL**.☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 3 month(s), or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Disposition of Claims☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.

Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.☐ Claims _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement.**Application Papers**☒ See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
☐ received.☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____.☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*Certified copies not received: _____

☒ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).**Attachment(s)**☒ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413☒ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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DETAILED ACTION

This application has been reviewed. Original claims 1-12 are pending. The rejection cited stated below.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bezaire et al U.S. Patent NO. 5,758,088 in view of May, U.S. Patent N.O. 5,043,721.

As per claim 1, Bizarre et al discloses a method for connecting users to a first communication network, including providing an address service (fig.1 element 18) connected to the first communication network (fig.1 element 14) on which a user may register a name and an associated address on a second communication network (fig.1 element 22), using the first communication network to access the address service (see col.2 lines 1-16), designating a name registered on the address service (see fig.2, col.3 lines 26-42), in response to the designation of a registered name, automatically broadcasting a message over the second communication network

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to the registered address associated with the selected name, message identifying an interactive activity to be conducted over the first communication network (see figs. 1 and 2, col.4 lines 20-48), using a receiving device not connected to the first communication network to receive messages (see fig.1 element 24).

Bizarre et al does not teach the following limitations of;

- receiving device automatically generating a user prompt;
- receiving device automatically connecting an interactive device to the first communication network.

May, U.S.Patent NO. 5,043,721 discloses a communications system including receiving devices in response to the reception of a message automatically generating a user prompt (see col.2 lines 3-13 and col.4 lines 46-49). In addition, May also teaches a method wherein the interactive device is automatically connected to the Internet (see fig.1 col.2 lines 67-68, and col.3 lines 1-9).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify Bezaire et al by employing the paging accessory (10) provided by May to connect the receiving device to suitable accessory port (15) of the interactive device, thereby giving the interactive device a paging capability. If the paging accessory is connected and the interactive device is off, the control within the paging accessory may be programmed to alert the interactive device to power up when a paging signal is received. The rationale is as follows. One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to modify Bezaire et al by employing such commonly

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known paging accessories, because this would allow the users of wireless devices to receive important personal and business text messages at their wireless devices even when they are not on-line.

As per claim 2, Bizarre et al disclose a method as claim 1, wherein the first communication network is the Internet, and the second communication network is a wireless paging network (see fig.1).

As per claim 3, May does not teach a user prompt comprising a hyperlink to a site on the Internet. "Official notice" is taken that both the concept and the advantages of providing hyperlink to Internet sites are well known in the art. It would have been obvious to include hyperlink to Internet sites to May as this hyperlink is known in the art to provide fast and easy way to connect other sites, thereby saving time.

As per claims 4-7, Bizarre et al teaches the method of claim 1, as discussed above wherein the Internet site displays further information including the identity of a person message originated, and the content of the message (see fig.7 and col.5 lines 30-48).

As per claims 8-12, Bizarre et al discloses the method of claim 1, wherein the user of the wireless device registers a screen name and associated a contact address, wherein the contact address is a serial number, the contact address is converted into an activation code (see col.3 lines 11-17), wherein the activation code is only available to the address service and the user who originally registered (see fig.3, col.4 lines 49-59, and figs.4a-4b, see also col.3 lines 11-17 and col.2 lines 1-6).

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CONCLUSION

3. The prior art made of record and relied upon is considered pertinent to the applicants disclosure.
 - a) Bizarre et al. U.S.Patent NO. 5,758,088. System for transmitting messages between an Installed network and wireless device.
 - b) May, U.S.Patent NO .5,043,721. Paging accessory for portable information/computing device.
 - c) Rossman, U.S.Patent NO. 5,809,415. Method and architecture for an interactive two-way data communication network.
 - d) Wicks et al. U.S.Patent NO.5,796,394. User interface and rule processing for a personal communications routing system.
 - e) Bobo, U.S.Patent NO.5,675,507. Message storage and delivery system.
 - f) Mcafe, U.S.Patent NO. 5,581,594. Method and apparatus for initiating communication via paging a mobile computing device.
4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abdullahi E. Salad whose telephone number is (703) 308-8441. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday from 8:30AM to 5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Glen Burgess, can be reached at (703)305-4792.

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